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SUBJECT: SAN JOSE CONFERENCE, RIO TREATY, PREAMBLE
(COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY)

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1. WORKING GROUP ON PREAMBLE (PERU, US, NICARAGUA, TRINIDAD, MEXICO, ECUADOR) BEGAN WORK MORNING OF JULY 24 ON BASIS OF AN AWFUL PERUVIAN DRAFT FIRST PRESENTED TO CEESI IN SEPTEMBER 1973. HOWEVER, AFTER CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION IT WAS DECIDED TO FOLLOW THE PRECEDENT SET IN BUENOS AIRES WITH RESPECT TO THE OAS CHARTER; THE EXISTING PREAMBLE WOULD NOT BE CHANGED, BUT A PREAMBLE TO THE PROTOCOL WOULD BE DRAFTED SO AS TO INDICATE FOR POSTERITY WHAT WAS BEING DONE AND FOR WHAT REASONS. DRAFTING GROUP OF MEXICO, BRAZIL AND PERU WAS FORMED AFTER BRAZIL PROPOSED A WORK OUTLINE THAT LARGELY IGNORED PERUVIAN DRAFT. RESULTING DOCUMENT (SEPTTEL) IS VERY BRIEF; IT REFERS TO SPECIAL
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COMMITTEE'S WORK, REPEATS STANDARD LANGUAGE ON STRENGTHENING

FRIENDSHIP, DEFENDING SOVEREIGNTY, SOLVING DISPUTES
PEACEFULLY, NONINTERVENTION, ETC. IT ALSO INCORPORATES
WORD FOR WORD EXISTING RIO TREATY PREAMBLE.

2. UNFORTUNATELY, IT CONTAINS REFERENCE TO COLLECTIVE
ECONOMIC SECURITY, "TO RECOGNIZE THAT FOR THE MAINTENANCE
OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF THE HEMISPHERE THE COLLECTIVE
ECONOMIC SECURITY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MEMBER STATES
SHOULD ALSO BE GUARANTEED." US DELEGATION OBJECTED TO
REFERENCE BUT IT BECAME OBVIOUS THAT THERE WAS NO DISPOSITION
TO DELETE THE REFERENCE GIVEN PRIOR APPROVAL OF ARTICLE 10.
WE CONSIDERED POSSIBILITY OF OFFERING ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE
(E.G., "TO RECOGNIZE THAT THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND
SECURITY IN THE HEMISPHERE REQUIRES AS WELL A SYSTEM OF
COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY...") BUT DECIDED AGAINST IT,
AS WE BELIEVE THAT COURSE OF ACTION WOULD HAVE DETRACTED
FROM OUR POSITION THAT SUCH ECONOMIC MATTERS ARE NON-GERMANE
TO THIS TREATY.

3. PREAMBLE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY GENERAL COMMITTEE
AFTERNOON OF JULY 24. INITIALLY, USDEL STATED THAT WE
WERE GENERALLY SATISFIED WITH PREAMBLE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
THE REFERENCE TO COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY, NOT SO MUCH
BECAUSE OF THE REFERENCE ITSELF BUT BECAUSE IT REFERRED
TO AN ARTICLE WHICH WE OPPOSED. WE REQUESTED PARAGRAPH BY
PARAGRAPH VOTE, AND ABSTAINED ON THAT PARAGRAPH (OF WHICH
CLAUSE ON COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY WAS ONLY A SMALL PART).
AFTER JOINING CONSENSUS ON PREAMBLE, USDEL STATED THAT
ITS VOTE IN FAVOR OF PREAMBLE AS A WHOLE SHOULD NOT BE
INTERPRETED AS A CHANGE IN THE POSITION OF THE USG WITH
RESPECT TO THE INCLUSION OF COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY IN
THIS TREATY.

4. COMMENT. GIVEN FACT THAT REFERENCE TO COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC
SECURITY IN PREAMBLE TRACKS ARTICLE 10 IN PERTINENT PARTS,
WE BELIEVE RESERVATION LANGUAGE SUGGESTED PARA. 6 REFTL
REMAINS ADEQUATE. PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATELY IF DEPARTMENT
DISAGREES.
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